

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF )  
AVISTA CORPORATION DBA AVISTA ) CASE NO. AVU-E-04-7  
UTILITIES TO EXTEND THE FILING )  
DEADLINE OF ITS 2005 INTEGRATED )  
RESOURCE PLAN (IRP) ) MINUTE ENTRY  
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On December 3, 2004, Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities (Avista; Company) filed a petition with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting authority to extend its 2005 IRP filing deadline from April 30, 2005 to September 1, 2005. Pursuant to Order No. 22299, Case No. U-1500-165, Avista is required to file a biennial resource management report (now IRP or Integrated Resource Plan) describing the status of the Company's electric resource planning.

As justification for the proposed delay in filing, Avista contends that its lead IRP analyst recently left the Company and its second analyst is retiring this month (December 2004). This, the Company states, has caused delays in completing IRP work products and the cancellation of some Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings. Avista's desire to provide adequate public participation through the TAC and a meaningful IRP process will require an extension beyond April 30, 2005.

The Commission has reviewed the filings of record in Case No. AVU-E-04-7 and finds that Avista has presented just cause to extend its IRP filing deadline from April 30, 2005 to September 1, 2005. The Commission by this Minute Entry and without further notice authorizes the Company's requested extension of the filing deadline for Avista's 2005 Integrated Resource Plan.

DATED at Boise, Idaho this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 2004.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT



MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER



DENNIS S. HANSEN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jean D. Jewell  
Commission Secretary

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